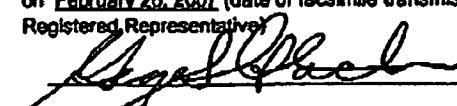


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**PATENT**  
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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Mail Stop RCE  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicant hereby respectfully requests and petitions for a three-month extension of time up to and including September 26, 2007, to respond to the Official action mailed on August 24, 2006, and Advisory Action dated December 18, 2006.

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The fee for the three-month extension of time is \$1,020.00. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the required fees during the pendency of this application or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0383, of The DIRECTV Group, Inc. I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this petition.

Respectfully submitted,



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